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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COCHISE OF COUNTY

STATE OF ARIZONA,)
vs.	Plaintiff,) NO. CR201900212)
PAUL RANI	DALL BAYS.)) STATE'S ALLEGATION OF VIOLATION) OF RELEASE CONDITIONS AND) VIOLATION OF CRIME VICTIM'S) RIGHTS AND REQUEST FOR) RECONSIDERATION OF RELEASE) CONDITIONS)
	Defendant.	

The State, by and through the undersigned special prosecutor, hereby alleges that Defendant has violated both his release conditions and the Crime Victim's constitutional rights. As set forth below, the State asks this Court to reconsider Defendant's release conditions.

Defendant's release conditions prohibit, *inter alia*, direct or indirect contact with the Crime Victim. Despite this Court's order, shortly after his initial appearance, Defendant initiated contact with the Crime Victim regarding this case through a mutual friend. On March 15, 2019, undersigned counsel notified defense counsel of this violative contact and requested that Defendant be cautioned against further infractions.

On April 17, 2019, defense counsel caused a deviation letter to be hand-delivered to the undersigned prosecutor. That same day, the deviation letter was emailed to the Crime Victim via

her divorce attorney. It is the undersigned prosecutor's understanding that Defendant provided the letter to his divorce attorney, who then sent it to the Crime Victim's divorce attorney. The deviation letter places blame for the crimes which Defendant is charged on the Crime Victim, and further implies that the Crime Victim may have committed previous offenses against Defendant. The Crime Victim found this unsolicited deviation letter to be an attempt by Defendant to intimidate and harass her.

Arizona's Constitution was amended in 1990 to include the Victims' Bill of Rights. This Amendment guarantees, among other things, a Crime Victim's right to "be treated with fairness, respect, and dignity, and to be free from intimidation, harassment, or abuse, throughout the criminal justice process." Ariz. Const. art. 2, § (A) (1) (emphasis added). Arizona's Crime Victims are also afforded statutory protection. A.R.S. § 13-4418 requires that the Crime Victims' Rights statutes "shall be liberally construed to preserve and protect the rights to which victims are entitled." A.R.S. § 13-4433(B) requires that "[t]he defendant, the defendant's attorney or an agent of the defendant shall only initiate contact with the victim through the prosecutor's office."

Defendant's conduct has violated both his release conditions and the Crime Victim's Constitutional rights. Accordingly, the State respectfully asks this Court to reconsider Defendant's release conditions.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this $\frac{22}{100}$ day of April, 2019.

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Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered this 22nd day of April, 2019, to: The Honorable James E. Marner Division 10, Pima County Superior Court 110 W. Congress Street Tucson, AZ 85701 Law Office of Joseph DiRoberto 1795 E. Camino Cielo Tucson, AZ 85718 **Cochise County Superior Court** Court Administration By: Lupita Mendoza Legal Secretary